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House of Representatives

The House met at 10 a.m. and was norah, the Christ candle, or the kinara, called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. DENHAM).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

> Washington, DC, December 23, 2016.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JEFF DENHAM to act as Speaker pro tempore on

PAUL D. RYAN. Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend Alisa Lasater Wailoo, Capitol Hill United Methodist Church, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Gracious God, thank You for this day.

This week, Your children will cele-Hanukkah, Christmas, Kwanzaa. No matter if we light the meopen us to see new truths about You and Your love.

As we work today, reveal to us the beauty and gifts inside each person we encounter and represent.

Enlighten us to the greatest needs in our world and where You want us to

Enlighten us to the biases and bigotries within us that hinder healing in our Nation.

Enlighten us to real dangers and save us from false fears.

Bless each Member, their tireless staffers, and all House employees. Grant them safe travels and a week of rest, restoration, and revelation.

I pray in the name of the baby Jesus, born without shelter, forced by Herod to flee to Egypt as a refugee who, not in spite of but through his circumstances, became the light of salvation.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(a) of House Resolution 944, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2(b) of House Resolution 944, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, December 27, 2016.

Thereupon (at 10 o'clock and 3 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, December 27, 2016, at 2 p.m.

EXPENDITURE REPORTS CONCERNING OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL

Reports concerning the foreign currencies and U.S. dollars utilized for Official Foreign Travel during the third quarter of 2016 pursuant to Public Law 95-384, are as follows:

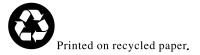
REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, JEFFREY DRESSLER, EXPENDED BETWEEN OCT, 28 AND NOV. 4, 2016

	Date			Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
Name of Member or employee	Arrival	Departure	Country	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Jeffrey Dressler	10/29 10/30 11/2	10/30 11/2 11/4	Bahrain UAE Oman		122.00 564.00 544.00		*14,462.00				14,584.00 564.00 544.00
Committee total					1,230.00		14,462.00				15,692.00

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.

JEFFREY DRESSLER, Nov. 20, 2016.

☐ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., ☐ 1407 is 2:07 p.m. Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.



² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended. *Transportation all included,